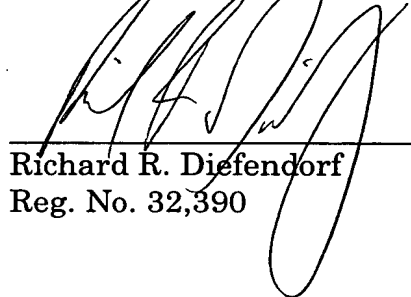


## REMARKS

After entry of this Amendment, allowed claims 2, 3, 5-10, 12, and 15 will remain in this application. All other claims previously appearing in this application are canceled, and the rejection set forth in section 2 on page 2 of the Office Action is eliminated. New claim 17, which depends on allowed claim 3, is added. Entry of this Amendment and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions after considering this Amendment, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

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